

Crystal Cruises' 2009 Cruise Guide Highlights 61 Itineraries To 185 Destinations

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Luxury cruise specialist Crystal Cruises has published its 2009 Cruise Guide, the line's first publication of next year's entire fleet-wide schedule, featuring new itineraries, new ports of call and the World Cruise.

A preview to the 150+-page Crystal Cruises Worldwide Atlas available in May, the 21-page, full color brochure lists the 61 worldwide cruises, ports and fares for Crystal Symphony and Crystal Serenity.

In addition to itineraries, the guide opens with a list of Crystal "exclusives," the unique details that define Crystal's award-winning service, abundant space, exceptional quality and numerous choices. Also significant are two new restaurants aboard Crystal Symphony, inspired by and featuring the cuisine of master chef Nobu Matsuhisa.

"With the practical itinerary information and deck plans, the Cruise Guide is an ideal tool for advance travel planning," says Nitsa Lewis, vice president, marketing. "At the same time, there is appealing lifestyle information to convey Crystal's casually elegant style."

Color-coded by destination, the Cruise Guide provides a first-look at Crystal's comprehensive 2009 roster of journeys, ranging from seven-day voyages on both ships to the celebrated 106-day World Cruise aboard the 1,080- guest Crystal Serenity.

New for 2009 will be a fall cruise to Israel and Egypt, Asia itineraries on both Crystal Symphony and Crystal Serenity and a return to the Amazon for the first time in three years. Most of the cruises feature at least one overnight stay in port, including two voyages with overnight stays in Dubai, and several itineraries offering double overnights in St. Petersburg. In addition to attractions like Shanghai, Bordeaux, Copenhagen and Montreal, the line has increased its maiden calls with uncovered, exotic gems like Kotor, Montenegro, Lipari, Italy, Patmos, Greece, Sinop, Turkey, Alesund, Norway and Kiel, Germany.

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